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SUBJ: CIVIL AVIATION -- REJECTION OF TWA FILING FOR USE
OF LAJES

- 1. TWA HAS RECEIVED OFFICIAL RESPONSE FROM CIVIL AVIATION DIRECTORATE REJECTING COMPANY'S FILING FOR OPERATIONS AT LAJES AIRPORT. FILING HAD INDICATED TWA INTENTION TO INITIATE IN APRIL TWO STOPS PER WEEK AT LAJES, ONE EAST BOUND AND ONE WEST BOUND ON FLIGHTS BETWEEN LISBON AND NEW YORK. REJECTION BASED ON ASSERTION THAT GOP CANNOT AUTHORIZE FOREIGN AIRLINES TO USE LAJES BECAUSE PORTUGUESE AIR FORCE CONSIDERS IT TO BE AN EXCLUSIVELY MILITARY AIRPORT.
- 2. AT REQUEST OF LOCAL TWA REPRESENTATIVE, EMBASSY PLANS TO DISCUSS THIS ISSUE WITH DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION, BRIG. ALBERTO C. BASTOS.
- 3. COMMENT: TWA CONVINCED THAT REJECTION STEMS FROM GOP DESIRE TO PROTECT PORTUGUESE NATIONAL AIRLINE (TAP) AND SATA, A LOCAL INTER-ISLAND AIRLINE UNDER GOVERNMENT CONTROL. BOTH COMPANIES FACING SEVERE ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES. CARLUCCI

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